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3rd Press Release

3rd Transnational Meeting and Training of Master Trainers on ERF

of the Project EMSA:

"Advancing the Implementation of Entrepreneurial Mindset Pilot Training Sessions and

Refining the Key Skills Curricula and Training Materials"

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The 3rd transnational meeting and training of Master Trainers on ERF of the EMSA initiative took place in Nicosia, Cyprus, in November 2024. This pivotal gathering brought together partners to evaluate the progress, address challenges, and plan the next steps for achieving the project's mission: fostering the entrepreneurial mindset and essential skills of learners primarily in Egypt, Jordan and Palestine, as well as in Cyprus and in Greece.

The EMSA project, launched in January 2023, aims to empower vocational education and training providers in the partner countries by providing them with the tools and frameworks to deliver high-quality education aligned with the European Reference Framework (ERF) on Key Skills for Lifelong Learning (2018) and the Entrepreneurship Competence Framework (ENTERCOMP) (2018). Since its inception, the project has focused on developing, piloting, and validating curricula tailored to the unique needs of these regions.



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Partners attending the

meeting included MMC Management Centre from Cyprus, DIMITRA Educational Organisation from Greece, Have a Dream from Egypt, the Jordan Youth Innovation Forum (JYIF) from Jordan, the Arab College of Applied Sciences (ACAS) from Palestine, and the Cyprus Certification Company (CCC) from Cyprus. During the meeting, these partners worked collaboratively to address critical project objectives and milestones.

Highlights of the Transnational Meeting and Training

The meeting provided a collaborative platform for partners to advance the project's goals. It focused on strategic planning for the upcoming pilot training sessions on the EntreComp materials developed at a previous project phase, covering key aspects such as the assessment and certification processes to ensure global recognition. Partners also strengthened their implementation plans, focusing on effective methods for delivering the training programme across the partner institutions.

Following the meeting, the Masters Trainers' training was conducted. This session equipped educators with essential knowledge and methodologies to deliver the ERF (and EntreComp) curriculum effectively. During the training, the participants engaged in an intensive review and refinement of the training materials developed for the ERF framework, ensuring they adhere to high standards and address the needs of learners.

All discussions centered on enhancing collaboration and ensuing alignment with EMSA's overarching objectives.

Achievements of the Transnational Meeting and Training

The November meeting and training sessions underscored the following key accomplishments:

- 1. Finalisation of the training materials for the ERF framework.
- 2. Strategic planning for the delivery of the EntreComp (and ERF) training materials and the assessment and certification of the learners.
- 3. Enhanced collaboration among partners, aligning efforts with the project's overarching objectives.

Looking Ahead

As the EMSA project progresses, the focus remains on empowering educators and learners with the tools needed to foster entrepreneurial success and innovation and be equipped with key skills for life.

The continued dedication of the project partners ensures that the goals of this transformative initiative will be realised.

